



DATA MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT TASK FORCE

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The Immigration and Naturalization Service Data Management Improvement Act (DMIA) of 2000 created a Task Force to evaluate and make recommendations on how the flow of traffic at United States airports, seaports and land border Ports-of-Entry (POE) can be improved while enhancing security. Statutory mandates include evaluations and recommendations on: an electronic entry/exit system; enhancing information technology (IT) systems and data collection/sharing; facilities and infrastructure issues; and increasing cooperation between public and private sectors, among federal and state/local agencies and with affected foreign governments.

The DMIA Task Force is comprised of 17 senior level officials from six Federal agencies, two state and local governmental groups and nine private industry trade and travel organizations (See attached chart). The members bring together the expertise necessary to find solutions to address our Nation's commercial facilitation needs consistent with increased security concerns.

The Task Force's report to Congress in December 2002 focused on recommendations for an electronic entry/exit system. The full report can be viewed in its entirety at the DMIA Task Force website under border management at www.immigration.gov.

In 2003, the Task Force focused on the other statutory requirements, concentrating on three main areas for their next report to Congress due December 31, 2003:

- **Coordination and Cooperation:** The Task Force examined these issues at various levels and is developing recommendations for increasing and improving cooperation and coordination between public and private sectors, among federal, state/local agencies and with affected foreign governments.
- **Facilities and Infrastructure:** The Task Force has studied current infrastructure, deficiencies, increased traffic demands and is identifying potential improvements to meet the requirements of overall security and improving the flow of traffic at POEs.
- **Information Technology Interoperability:** IT consultants from Los Alamos National Laboratory continued with their in-depth analyses of border management systems, interoperability, and other considerations as the Task Force continued its work in 2003 with a goal of increasing effectiveness and information sharing among appropriate entities.



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- Martha Sardinas, Chief, Interagency Systems Liaison, Visa Office, *U.S. Department of State*
- Robert Jacksta, Executive Director, Border Security and Facilitation, *Bureau of Customs and Border Protection*
- Captain Christopher J. McMahon, Special Assistant to the Secretary, *U.S. Department of Transportation designee: Tony Furst, Director, Freight Management Operations, Federal Highway Administration*
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State and Local Representatives

- Jeffrey D. Arnold, Deputy Director, Legislative Affairs, *The National Association of Counties*
- Nolan E. Jones, PhD, Director, Human Resources, *The National Governors Association (NGA)*



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- J. Michael Crye, President, *International Council of Cruise Lines*
- Randel K. Johnson, Vice President, Labor and Employee Benefits, *U.S. Chamber of Commerce*
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- Dawn E. Lucini, Senior Manager, Regulatory Affairs, *The Airports Council International (ACI)*
- Kurt Nagle, Authorities, President & Chief Executive Officer, *The American Association of Port Authorities*
- James D. Phillips, Alliance, President & Chief Executive Officer, *The Canadian/American Border Trade Alliance*
- Luis E. Ramirez Thomas, Chair, *The Border Trade Alliance*
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